**An Introduction to Diverse methods for Collecting Data
from Children and Adolescents
(27 March 2024)**

Course Description:

Collecting data from children can be challenging as they may not have always have sufficient language and attention span to clearly articulate their needs, thoughts and feelings. This course provides an introduction to diverse data collection methods that have been tried and tested by researchers to elicit and document data from children. These methods range from traditional ethnographic observation and interview to visual-based methods and those involving props. How these methods can be used will be explained in the context of social service-related studies that have employed them in their research design. Participants will gain insights into the affordances and limitations of the methods. Tips for conducting research with children will also be shared.

Note: The focus of this introductory workshop will be on collecting data from neurotypical children and adolescents (age range: 7 – 16 years old).

Course Objectives:

At the end of the course, the participants will be able to:
1) Describe the various ways of collecting data from children,
2) State the affordances and limitations of the various data collection methods, and
3) Design research that apply the data collection methods introduced.

Topics Covered Include:
- Diverse methods of collecting data from children
- Affordances and limitations of various methods
- Considerations and tips when interviewing children
- Ethical considerations

Course Schedule:

- <u>27 March 2024</u>, 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

The workshop will be conducted in-person at the NUS Kent Ridge Campus (The Shaw Foundation Building, Block AS7). Participants will be informed of the venue after their registration is confirmed.

Pre-requisites:

Participants are required to have at least a Degree in any discipline, with preference given to social science and community health disciplines. Some prior experience in working with children and basic research knowledge would be preferred.

Who Should Attend:

The workshop targets policymakers, researchers, programme managers and practitioners, and seeks to equip them with the relevant knowledge and skills on collecting data from children and adolescents.

Trainer:

Dr Seah Lay Hoon is a Senior Research Fellow at the Social Service Research Centre (SSR), NUS. She received her postgraduate diploma in Education from the National Institute of Education (NIE) and her masters and Ph.D. in Science Education from the University of Melbourne, Australia. Her research work entails the use of qualitative methods and analysis such as interviews, ethnographic observations, researcher-practitioner collaborative inquiry, thematic analysis, discourse analysis and applied linguistic analysis.

Course Fees:

This course is SSG-approved. Participants who are **Singaporeans or Singaporean Permanent Residents** will be eligible for 70% of the course fees, excluding GST. **Singaporean participants who are aged 40 years old** and above will be eligible for higher subsidies of up to 90% of course fees. Participants are required to attend at least 75% of the course and obtain a pass grade for the required assignments. The table below shows the breakdown of the course fee payable.

	International Participants	Singapore Citizens		Singapore PRs
		39 years old or younger	40 years old or older	
Full Programme Fee	$850.00	$850.00	$850.00	$850.00
Less: SSG Grant Amount	$0.00	$595.00	$595.00	$595.00
Nett Programme Fee	$850.00	$255.00	$255.00	$255.00
9% GST on Nett Programme Fee	$76.50	$22.95	$22.95	$22.95
Total Nett Programme Fee Payable, Including GST	$926.50	$277.95	$277.95	$277.95
Less Additional Funding if Eligible Under Various Schemes	$0.00	$0.00	$170.00	$0.00
Total Nett Programme Fee Payable, Including GST, after additional funding from the various funding schemes	**$926.50**	**$277.95**	**$107.95**	**$277.95**

GST is increased from 8% to 9% in 2024.

Registration:

You may register online through the NUS Online Application Portal (OAP).

For corporate-sponsored participants, please click here for the registration guide.
For self-sponsored participants, please click here for the registration guide.

Registration closes on 6 March 2024.